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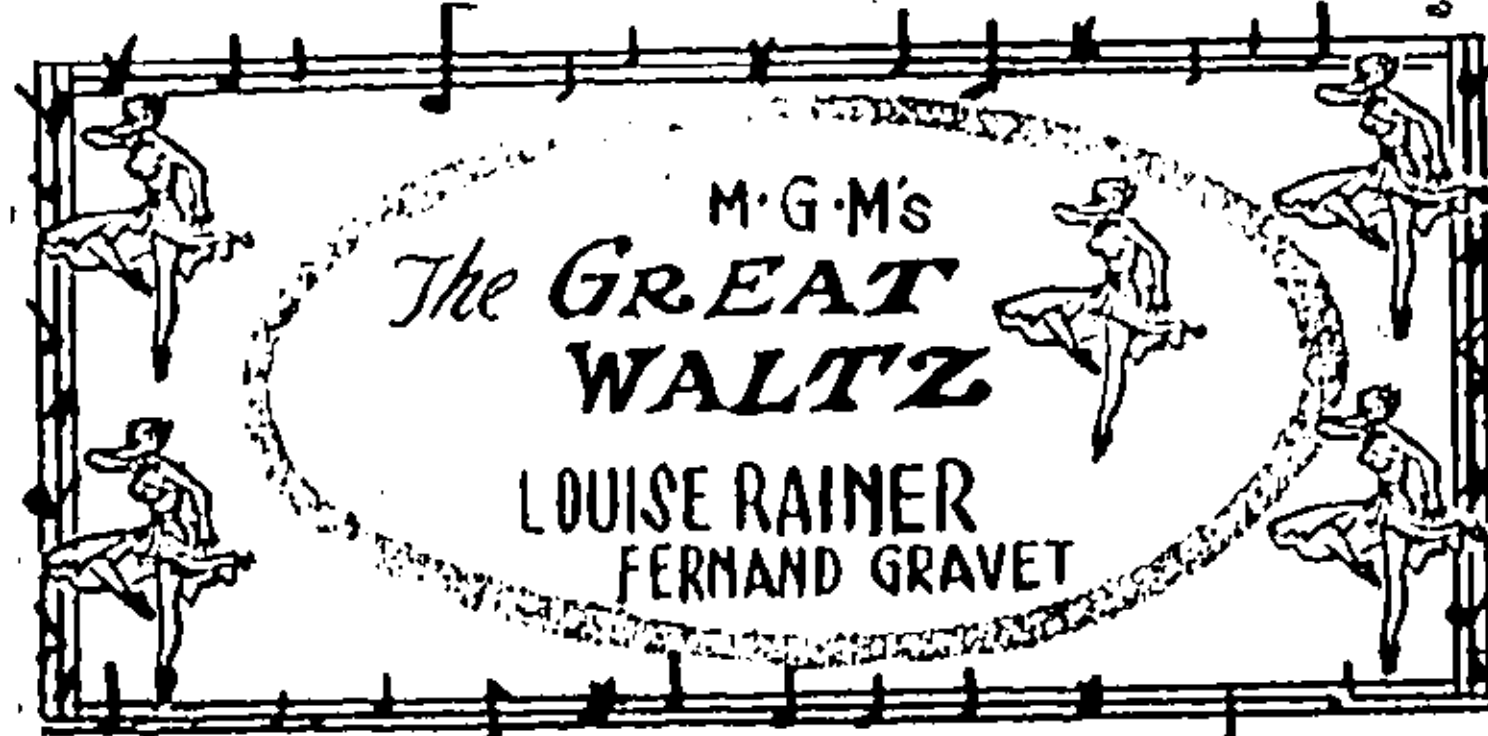
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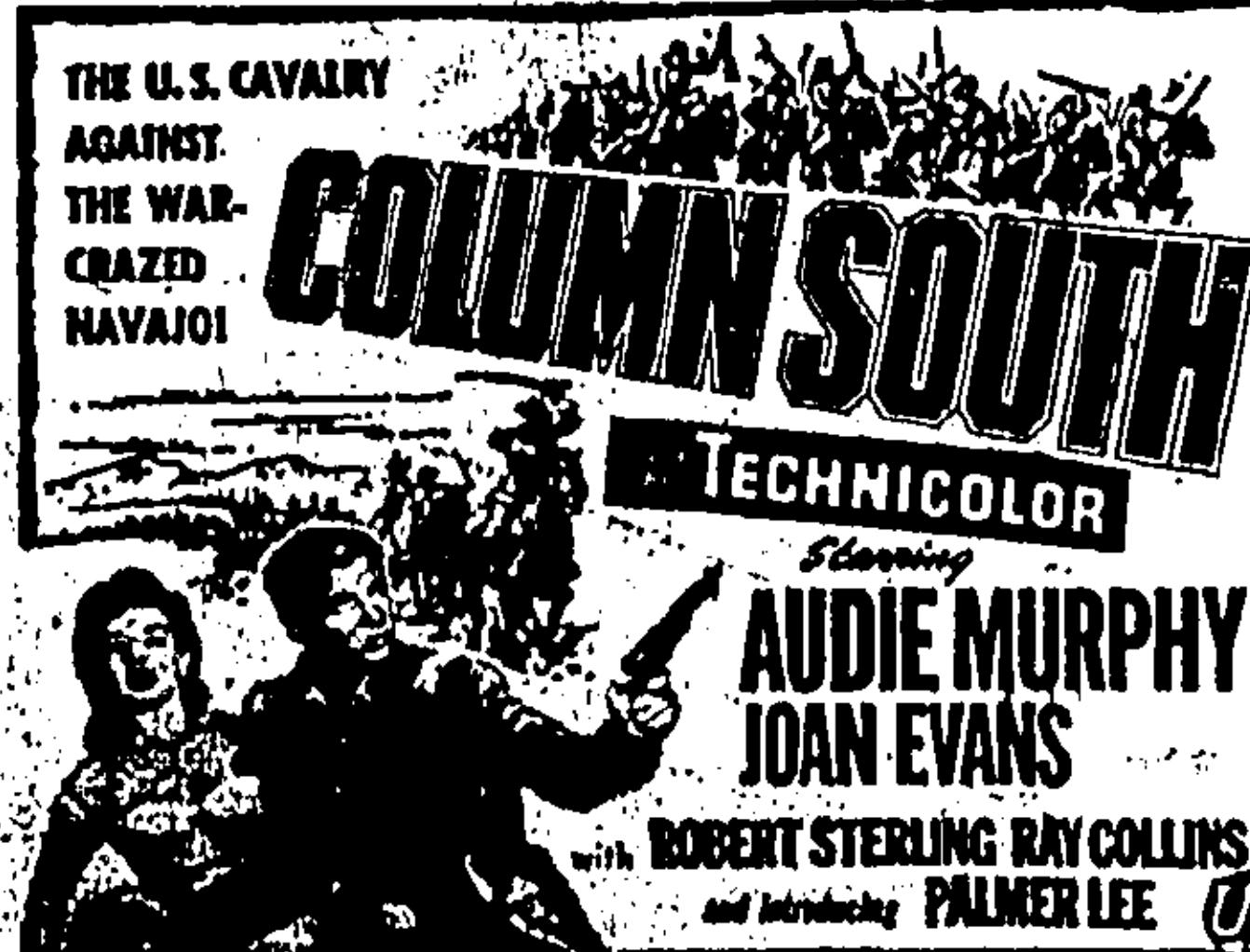
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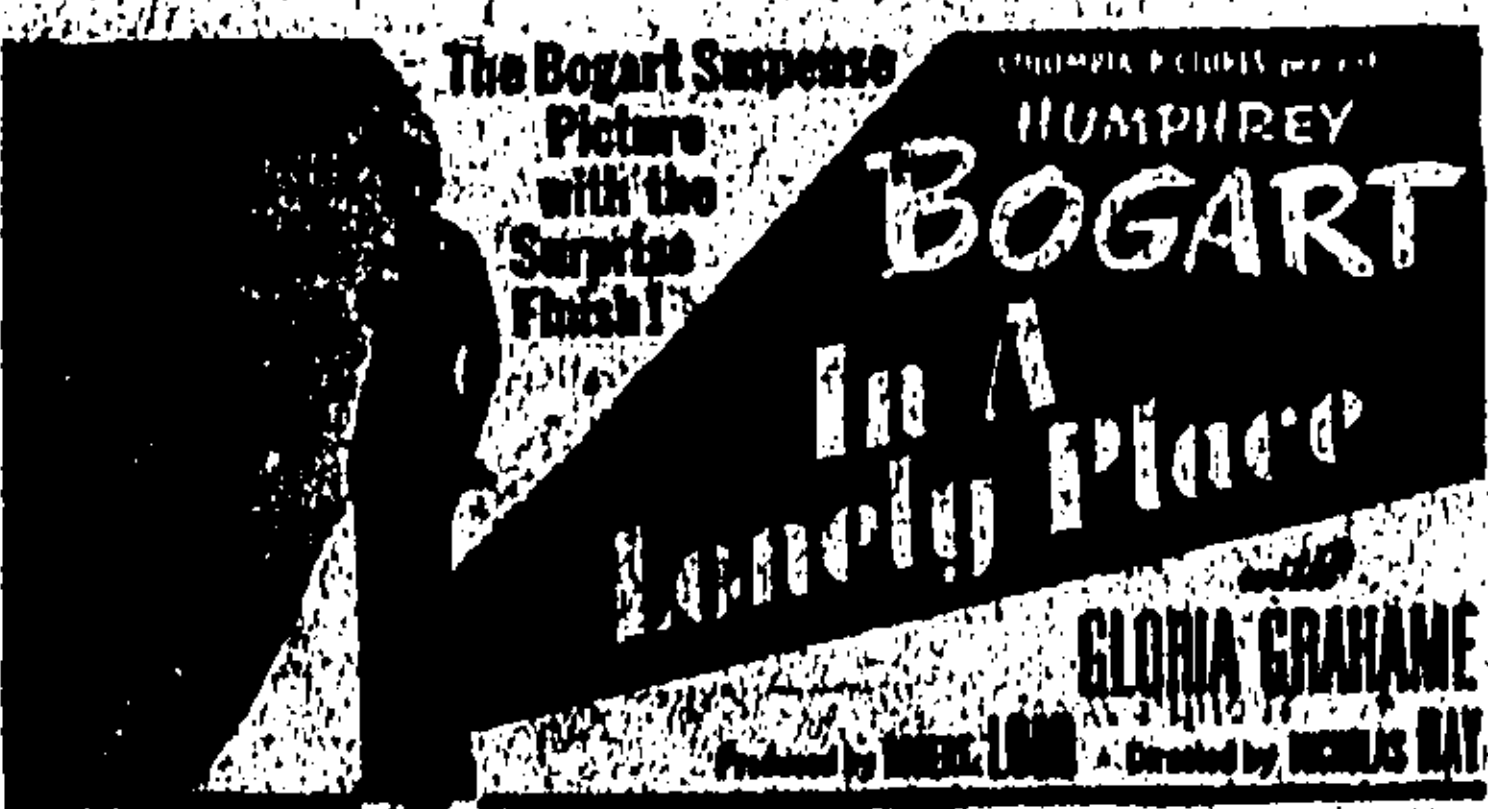
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LONG SILENCE ON TIBET

TALKS

No Word From
Peking
Or New Delhi

New Delhi, Mar. 31.

There has been no word from Peking or New Delhi officials on the progress of the Sino-Indian talks on Tibet since they began late in December last year.

The talks are continuing, it is believed, and the only pointer to the likely date of their conclusion comes from the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Nehru, who said he expected a satisfactory conclusion by April 15, 1954.

Mr Nehru made his statement after there was speculation in the foreign Press that the talks had reached an impasse because of the long conference period.

H-Bomb Did
Not Scare
The Stork

Washington, Mar. 31.

The March 1 hydrogen bomb blast in the Pacific did not scare the stork.

Chairman Lewis L. Strauss of the Atomic Energy Commission disclosed today that a baby girl was born on Kwajalein Island to a Mrs. Majuro, one of the 236 natives who had been removed from smaller islands in the expected path of the radioactive "fall-out."

Mr Strauss, who visited Kwajalein last week, said the native parents named their new-born baby Alice — after Mrs Strauss. Mr Strauss gave the child a dowry of 10 pigs.

He said that other native women who were moved also are expecting babies.

Strauss said that the evacuees seem "well and happy."—United Press.

Relations between India and Tibet were governed by the Simla treaty of 1913 until three years ago when the Red Chinese invaded Tibet and took charge of the administration in Lhasa. The British Government in India had always recognised the sovereignty of China over Tibet and India also accepted the symbolic autonomous independent country.

Indian officials claim there are no boundary disputes between India and Tibet.

They say the question of demarcation of the Indo-Tibetan frontiers has never been mentioned by the Peking Government in any of the negotiations with the Government of India.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS
The Indian frontier is still the McMahon Line of the North-East Frontier. On the northern and eastern regions the boundary is well defined even though it is not properly demarcated.

Under the Simla Treaty the Government of India established three trade centres in Tibet: at Yatsung, Gyantse and Gartok. The British Government in India stationed a small number of troops at the trade centres to guard the Indian-Tibetan trade routes.

The Indian Government's agent at Lhasa enjoys certain diplomatic and consular privileges. The Government of India also runs the postal and telegraph lines between India and Tibet.

Each year about 10,000 Indian pilgrims visit Tibetan Manasarovar, known as the Lake of the God Shiva.

Until recently there was no restriction on Tibetans coming to India or Indian traders going to Tibet. But after Communist China took over both India and China have put new restrictions on travellers.—United Press.

Ike Speaks On
Use Of US
Troops Abroad

Washington, Mar. 31.

President Eisenhower said today that he could not imagine any greater disadvantage for the United States than the use of American land or other forces on a big-scale in a distant operation.

He stressed that the United States was trying through financial, material and moral support to strengthen its allies to such an extent that they would be able to handle local situations themselves.

He said, however, that each of these situations could carry a varying degree of danger and that consequently it was impossible to determine in advance the measures which the United States would take in each particular case.

Mr Eisenhower was answering questions at his weekly Press conference on whether it was possible to imagine the participation of American troops in a "united action" in South-east Asia such as the one mentioned on Monday by Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles.

He emphasised that it was through such a "united action" as Mr Dulles mentioned that all nations interested in the fate of South-East Asia could resist the expansion of Communism in that part of the world and check aggression in general.—France-Press.

US HQ MOVING?

Republican Representative Walter Judd said in an interview today that any decision to move United States military headquarters in Asia to Korea or Okinawa would be up to the executive department and not to Congress.

Mr Judd, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Far East, was the author of a report released over the week-end, which recommended that United States troops should be withdrawn from Japan as soon as Japanese native defences are built up.

He said that his Subcommittee felt that the move should be made because "it seemed to us that the gains to be achieved would far outweigh the risks and inconveniences involved."

The Subcommittee recommendation, he said, "may not have the slightest effect on the Defense Department."—United Press.

Burmese Actress Comes To Town



With a pink rose in her hair, 21-year-old actress Wyn Minn Than arrives in Britain from Ceylon where she has been starring in the film "The Purple Plain" with Gregory Peck. She wears a pink sari and a noble string of pearls.—Express Photo.

High Stakes In
Battle For
Dien Bien Phu

Paris, Mar. 31.

The stake in the battle for Dien Bien Phu fortress in Indo-China is more psychological than military, according to military and political observers here.

The psychological shock in France and the Western world in the event of the fall of Dien Bien Phu would be out of proportion to the loss in military potential to the French Union Forces, they say.

But a Vietnam failure would also produce a considerable shock for the Communists and this would be in direct relation to the number of men lost by Communist commander General Vo Nguyen Giap, who has thrown over half of all his shock divisions into the gamble for the fortress.

Dien Bien Phu was originally selected by the French High Command as a fortified camp after it had been decided last November to quit Lai Chau, capital of the Thai country north of Tonkin, which was considered untenable.

There were also several political and military reasons for selecting this little village in Upper Tonkin. It lies on the road leading from Lao Kay on the Chinese border to Luang Prabang, the spiritual capital of Laos. In this position it therefore hampers considerably Communist incursion in Northern Laos and covers the area north of Luang Prabang.

RELIEVING PRESSURE

Furthermore the presence of the camp, shows the mountain folk that France is not willing to let them fall under Vietnam rule and thus strengthens the will and numbers of resistance groups there.

The Union Forces, by tying down a large number of Communist troops in Upper Tonkin, is considerably relieving pressure around Hanoi and on the fringes of the Red River Delta.

As a yardstick of the military position it is interesting to note that General Giap has got four

of the total of six regular Communist divisions under his command around Dien Bien Phu. Two of his divisions are in the Red River Delta area and one is on the Annamite coast.

There are only 12,000 French Union troops at Dien Bien Phu out of a total of 250,000 in the Expeditionary Force. With the Vietnam Army support troops and militia, the Union side have a total of about half-a-million men against the Vietnamese four hundred thousand.—France-Press.

Paris Students In
Demonstration

Paris, Mar. 31.

About 5,000 university students demonstrated today, asking for more scholarships, lecture rooms and laboratories.

The President of the National Students Union, Mr J. Marc Mouscron, stressed unity of the university students, increased of scholarship and speeding up of university quarters construction.

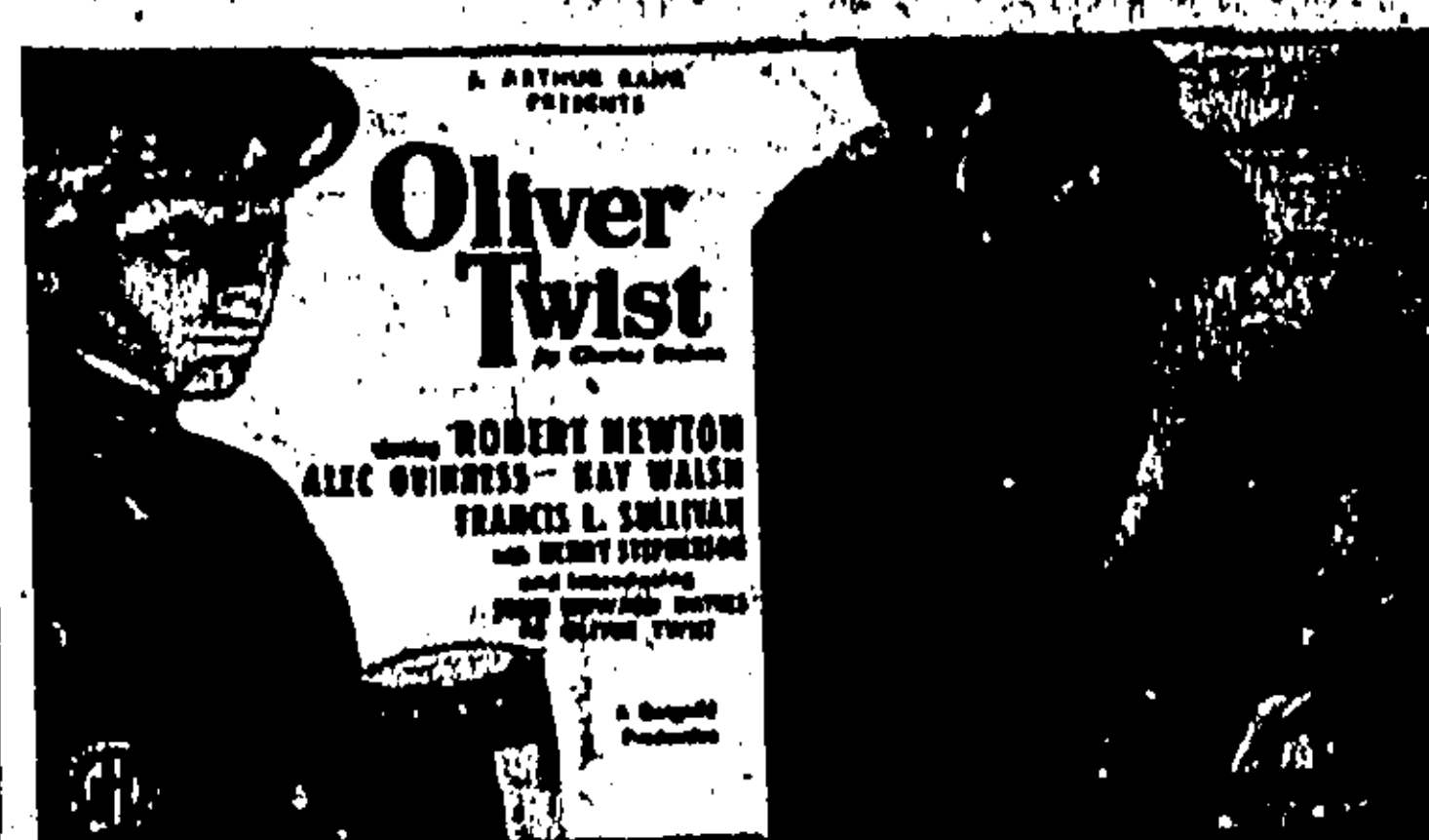
The demonstration was part of the students' strike of an all-out strike of French teachers to obtain higher salaries and a bigger education budget.

Fuller reports from the provinces gave a percentage of strikers as between 50 and 80 per cent for the whole of France.

In Tunisia, the majority of the teaching personnel were reported to have followed the strike order.—France-Press.

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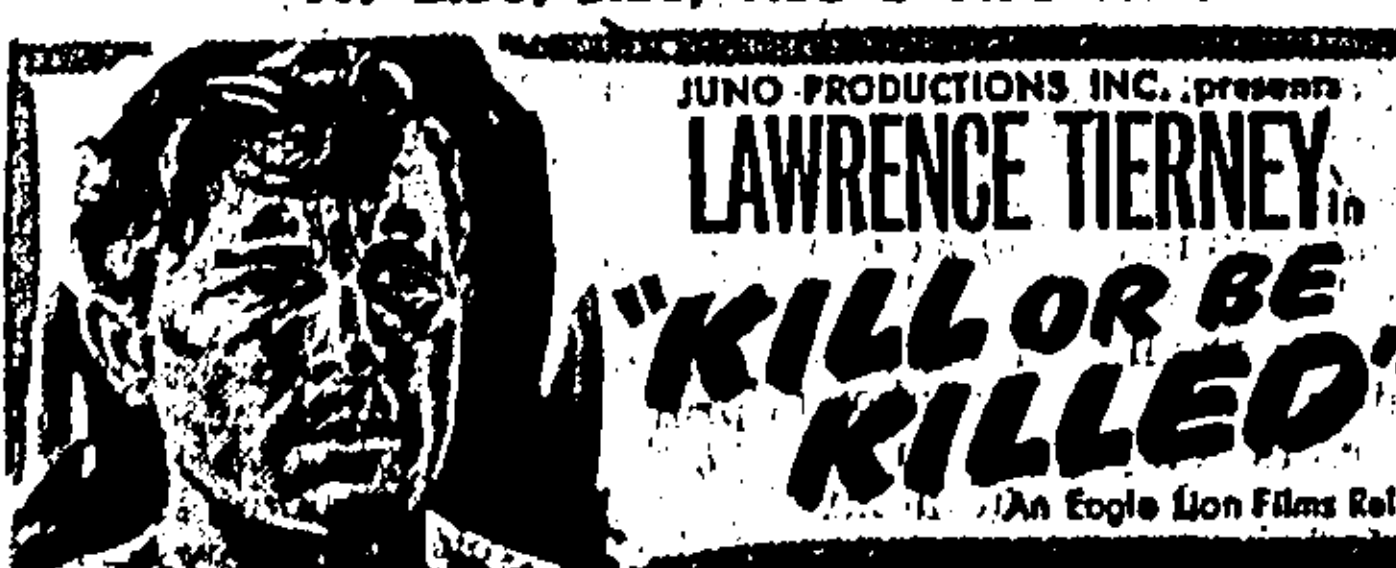
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DELAY IN BRITISH EDC PLANS

LIKELY No Announcement Before Total Ratification

London, Mar. 31. The six contracting countries of the European Defence Community will have to wait until they have signed the treaty before Britain makes any official announcement on the proposals or its closer association to these countries, it was authoritatively learned today.

A Foreign Office spokesman told newsmen that "contacts are continuing, I have no news of the meeting of the EDC interim committee. There will be more meetings, but I cannot tell you when is the next one."

Previously it was hoped that the British Government would announce an agreement at the same time reveal the nature of the new British proposals to Parliament before the Eastern recess.

The West German Charge d'Affaires in London will hand the instruments of ratification of the EDC Treaty by the Federal Government to the Foreign Office tomorrow.

In Paris today the Head of the West German diplomatic mission in Paris, Mr. Wilhelm Hausenstein, deposited at the French Foreign Office the instruments of the ratification of the Bonn contractual agreements and the Paris Treaty on the European Defence Community.

The French Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Maurice Schumann, received him.

Asian Socialists To Meet In Indonesia

Rangoon, Mar. 31. The Asian Socialist Conference will meet at Bandung in Indonesia from April 27 to April 30, ASC headquarters announced tonight.

Among the questions to be discussed at the Bandung meeting are the United Nations Charter, the promotion of peace in Asia and the recent developments in territories still under colonial rule.

The co-ordinating committee of the anti-colonial bureau, including representatives of Burma, India, Indonesia, Lebanon, Israel, Nigeria, Kenya and Malaya, is also scheduled to meet at Bandung on April 28.

It was understood that at the Bandung meeting, the ASC will send a delegation on a visiting tour to Indo-China and Malaya.—France-Press.

The West German Federal Republic is the first of the four signatories of the Bonn Treaty to deposit the instruments of ratification, although Great Britain and the United States have already ratified them.

Both the Bonn and the Paris treaties were signed yesterday by West German President Theodore Heuss. West Germany is the second country to deposit the instruments of ratification of the EDC Treaty, the first one being the Netherlands.

However, the action of additional protocol is still pending and Mr. Schumann conferred with the German representative on this subject.

Meanwhile the various shades of French feeling, the treaty have by no means been resolved into a common approach.

In Washington today President Eisenhower reaffirmed his press conference his complete support of the European Defence Community project.

He expressed his confidence in the success of the current debate on EDC and said that he would not comment on any possible substitute for the project before the debate had been concluded.—France-Press.

Israel-Jordan Border Situation Reviewed

Amman, Mar. 31. The Jordan Foreign Minister, Dr. Husni Khalidi, summoned Arab diplomatic representatives in Amman today to review the current border situation and tell them of the steps taken by his Government.

He explained his action in trying to save the Nahalín incident, which resulted in the deaths of nine Jordanians brought before the United Nations Security Council.

Jordan asked her fellow Arab states to be ready for all emergencies.

Dr. Khalidi also said Britain had said she was willing to help Jordan if threatened in accordance with the Anglo-Jordan treaty.

The Jordan Government is understood to be discussing measures with other Arab states to discourage Arabs from selling land in Israel to Jewish buyers.

Jordan has suggested punishing Arabs who sell their lands in Israel.—Reuter.

Indonesian Envoy To Moscow



Dr. Subandrio, ex-Indonesian Ambassador to London, leaves London by train for Switzerland, en route for Russia. He is to be his country's first Ambassador to Moscow.—Express Photo.

Perth Plans A Big Farewell For Queen And Duke

Perth, Apr. 1. Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh sail from Fremantle in the Royal yacht Gothic today at the end of the strenuous two-month tour of Australia.

Last night the Royal couple had a quiet evening free of official engagements after a day in the country.

During their 68 days in Australia they had only five days off—and two of these were spent travelling in the Gothic. They have covered some 15,000 miles.

Perth and its port of Fremantle are determined to give the Queen and the Duke a send-off equal in feeling to the tumultuous welcome which greeted their arrival at Sydney on February 3.

At least 100,000 people are expected to line the 12-mile route to the Gothic's berth after the farewell ceremonies in Perth today. As the Gothic heads north-west for the Cocos Islands, 1,900 miles away in the Indian Ocean, the Queen will make her farewell broadcast to the people of Australia.

In a farewell message to the Queen last night the Governor of New South Wales, Lieutenant-General Sir John Northcott, said the Royal visit had been "an inspiration."

A RETURN VISIT
Australians are already talking about a return visit by the Queen and the Duke at some future date, when they hope to be able to see the Royal children, Prince Charles and Princess Anne.

The Royal couple travelled 240 miles yesterday on their last and longest journey of the Australian tour.

Meanwhile observers noted that the anti-polio precautions had not been observed as rigidly as their sponsors might have wished.

A Royal tour official has reiterated that the "two hard-shells" and would be entered when the Queen says goodbye today.

The Queen forgot the rule at a ball here on Tuesday night and shook hands with three people—including Governor-General Sir William Slim and Lady Slim. As a result, the Queen was asked for a programme and accepted it without gloves.

Some of the Royal household have also shaken hands with Western Australians.—Reuter.

300 Sorties In NATO Exercise

Algiers, Mar. 31. During the first day yesterday of the Allied sea-air exercise "Shield One" in the Mediterranean Basin, 300 interceptor sorties were made, it was announced today.

NATO planes made 120 attacks on military targets in the exercise which will last till April 3.—France-Press.

Growing Evidence Of Link Between Cancer And Smoking

London, Mar. 31. A Government health report said today that evidence of a definite relationship between smoking and lung cancer "is accumulating."

The annual report of the Department of Health for Scotland did not give details of extensive studies of possible influence of tobacco but added "tobacco smoking is not the only cause of lung cancer" for there are many cases among non-smokers, "it seems also that a smoke laden atmosphere has some influence."

Malayan Trade Unions

Lyttelton Refuses MP's Plan

London, Mar. 31.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, today refused a proposal in the House of Commons that he should recommend the Malayan and Singapore Governments to allow trade unions to affiliate to political organisations as in Britain.

He told Mr. Reginald Sorensen (Labour) who made the suggestion that this was an issue for the Malayan and Singapore Trade Union Councils to pursue for themselves with the local governments if they were anxious for a change.

Mr. Sorensen also asked whether the prohibition of political activities by civil servants in Malaya and Singapore extended to membership of political parties and whether teachers and nurses came within the prohibition.

Mr. Lyttelton replied: "This question has been dealt with by the recent Constitutional Committee in the Federation. The Government of Singapore has decided that the civil service should be divided into two groups, the senior of which will be prohibited from taking an active part in politics."

WHITE AREAS

"I am making enquiries about the effect of this on teachers and nurses."

Mr. Sorensen (Labour) asked if the Colonial Secretary would consider nominating white areas districts in Malaya where no incident of any kind has occurred arising out of the emergency, and withdrawing the emergency regulations so that the normal life of the community could begin once again.

Mr. Lyttelton replied: "Four such white areas with a population of about 800,000 have already been declared and further areas will be declared as soon as circumstances permit. But I would remind Mr. Sorensen that these decisions are for the High Commissioner and not for me."

Mr. Lyttelton also told Mr. Sorensen that in the Federation of Malaya 2,225 persons were detained under the emergency regulations in December, 1953, as compared with 7,626 in December, 1951.

"Of these 622 were in rehabilitation centres," he added. "All cases are regularly reviewed. Less than 20 persons are detained under the emergency regulations in Singapore."—Reuter.

Film Companies Withdraw Dismissal Notices

London, Mar. 31. British film producing companies today decided to withdraw dismissal notices served on 3,500 studio workers served with a special meeting this afternoon of the Executive Council of the British Film Producers Association.

The laboratories—idle for 12 days because of a wage claim dispute—are due to reopen tomorrow, following a "truce" arranged by the Minister of Labour, Sir Walter Mondell.

The film company chiefs decided on the conditional scrapping of their dismissal notices at a special meeting this afternoon of the Executive Council of the British Film Producers Association.

A Government Committee investigating the dispute begins its work next Monday.

The workers are seeking a wage increase of 50 shillings a week for adult workers, shorter working hours, and other improvements. The dispute has caused a severe shortage of films for export.

You Shouldn't Sit Too Still

New York, Mar. 30. Sitting perfectly still for abnormally long periods—such as during a long train or plane trip or even a long lecture—can show—could cause blood clotting in the legs, which reported Dr. John H. Wessman, of Boston's Peter Bent Brigham Hospital. The condition was especially likely to occur if the sufferer's legs were crossed, he said. Dr. Wessman recommended that persons "forced" to sit for a long time should wiggle their feet and toes periodically and "stand up and exercise the legs whenever possible."—China Mail Special.

More Elections In China Expected Soon

London, Mar. 31. The Chinese Minister of the Interior, Mr. Hsieh Chuoh-Tai, announced yesterday that following the local elections throughout China, further elections on a higher administrative plane could be expected to take place soon, the New China News Agency reported today.

"Since we have not yet rooted out class exploitation and we are just beginning to build Socialism, our present social conditions do not as yet permit China to introduce the system of universal, equal, direct and secret balloting in the elections, as practised now in the Soviet Union," the minister added.

"Nevertheless, our people's Democratic system belongs to the category of Socialism. Our electoral system, in effect, possesses the same points of superiority as that of the Soviet electoral system."—Reuter.

Three Mechanised Divisions In East Germany

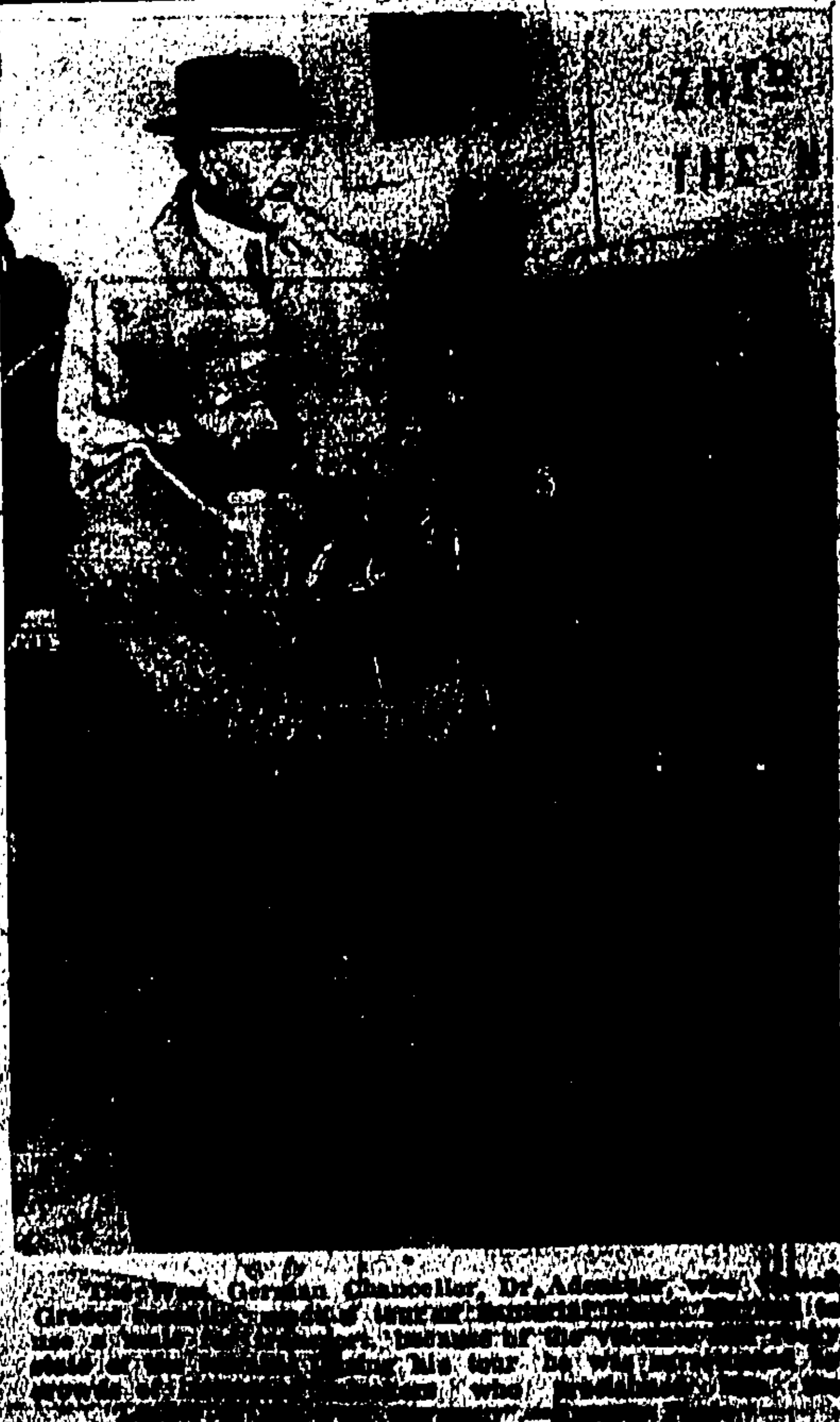
London, Mar. 31. The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, told the House of Commons today there were three mechanised divisions established in East Germany.

He said two of these divisions were incorporated in infantry formations and that the other constituted an independent body.

Mr. Eden gave the information in reply to a question by a Labour member of Parliament.

The divisions were modelled on Soviet mechanised divisions, Mr. Eden said, but he added that it did not appear they were at full strength.—France-Press.

Dr Adenauer On A Mule



Konrad Adenauer, German Chancellor, was seen riding a mule through the streets of Bonn today. He was accompanied by a large crowd of people who were cheering and waving. The mule was decorated with garlands and flowers. Adenauer was smiling and waving to the crowd as he rode.

Petition Against Sentence By Griffiths

London, Mar. 31. Captain Gerald Selby Lewis Griffiths, former company commander in the King's African Rifles, today petitioned against a court martial sentence imposed after he was convicted of cruelty to two Mau Mau prisoners. Captain Griffiths asked the Commander-in-Chief, East Africa, General Sir George Erskine not to confirm the sentence of five years in gaol or alternatively to reduce it. Captain Griffiths was found guilty on five of the six charges. His petition contends that his conviction was "wrong and unjust."—China Mail Special.

Situation Worse

Commission Condemns Egypt

Tel-Aviv, Mar. 31.

The Israeli-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission condemned Egypt today for violating the armistice agreement on March 25, when Egyptian soldiers wounded one Israeli soldier and abducted another near the Egyptian-held Gaza strip.

An Israeli spokesman announced that the Commission's chairman, Colonel Robert Hommel of the United States Marine Corps, cast his decisive vote to support the Israeli draft resolution blaming Egypt for the incident.

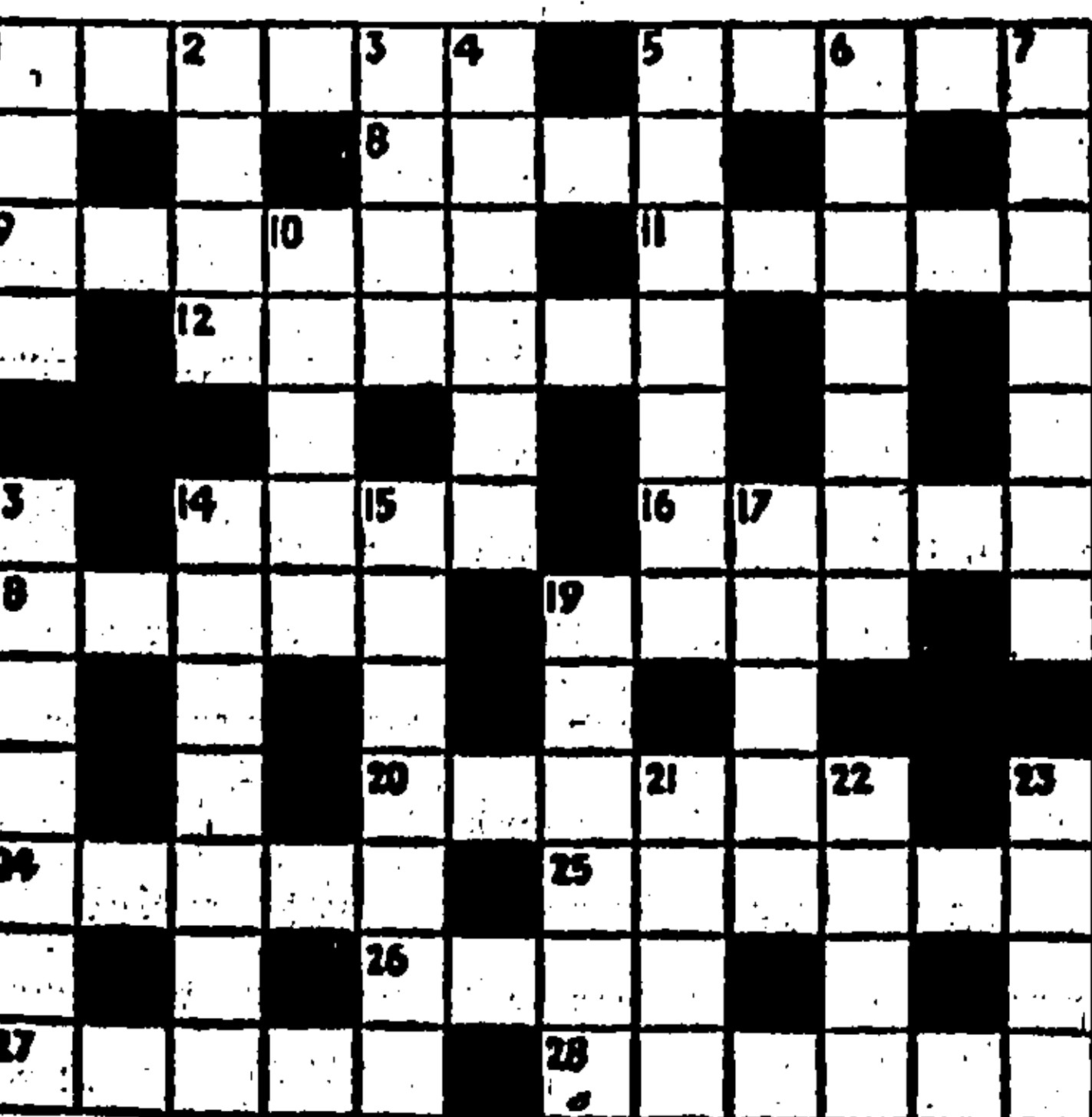
The Israeli-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission called upon Egyptian authorities "to release and return the Israeli captured soldier and his personal effects by tomorrow."

The Commission also called upon the Egyptian authorities to ensure that "such and similar aggressive acts" did not occur again.

An Israeli Army spokesman told a press conference there had been 23 border incidents involving raids or shooting from across the Jordan border in the past fortnight. There was a "general deterioration" of the situation between the two countries.

Four incidents had occurred in the past 24 hours, including automatic weapon fire on a railway car south of Jerusalem, he said. There were no casualties.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- Leave (6).
 - Black (5).
 - Press (4).
 - Gloomy (6).
 - Harden (5).
 - Tramples (6).
 - Alter (4).
 - Extend (5).
 - Hold a view (5).
 - Torn (4).
 - Came ashore (6).
 - Likeness (6).
 - Brave (6).
 - Calm (4).
 - Welcome (5).
 - Threat (6).
- DOWN
- Moist (4).
 - Wine (4).
 - Trick (4).
 - Agreement (6).
 - Freedom from work (7).
 - Wealthy (7).
 - Built (7).
 - Musical instrument (5).
 - Running away (7).
 - Tremble (7).
 - Consider (7).
 - Rage (6).
 - Haphazard (6).
 - Valley (4).
 - Great woman singer (4).
 - Monster (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Oasis, 4. Tractor, 8. Exiles, 10. Optum, 12. Rodden, 14. Addino, 17. Less, 19. Escorts, 20. Subside, 22. Area, 23. Errands, 27. Grills, 30. Sparse, 31. Deeper, 32. Dress, Down: 1. Opera, 2. Shide, 3. Stern, 5. Root, 6. Collier, 7. Ramise, 9. Banded, 11. Poling, 13. Doria, 15. Sour, 18. Aweil, 19. Stud, 20. Jagged, 21. Boida, 24. Rapid, 25. Nurse, 26. Shide, 28. Rely.

Three Nations Declare "Trade War" On British Margarine

London, Mar. 31. Australia, New Zealand and Danish dairy interests have banded together to form a £3,150,000 company to fight the advance of margarine in Britain, it was learned today.

Their intensive three-nation "publicity war" on margarine is due to open next month or well in advance of May 8 when butter and margarine rationing will end after 14 years' control.

On Monday, May 10, British housewives will be able to buy their first branded margarine since 1940 when the Food Ministry introduced unbranded "pool" margarine.

On that date a free enterprise butter and margarine will start competing for the housewife's shilling and penny. New Zealand, Denmark and Australia will supply more than 80 per cent of Britain's butter, will meanwhile launch an advertising campaign with few parallels in British advertising history.

With press, poster, film and pamphlet they will press their claim to superior nutritive value and richer flavour.

New Zealand and Denmark are vitally concerned as their home economies rely heavily on butter sales to Britain, and the butter trade is confident that housewives will be ready to pay more for butter as it is "better" than margarine.

At the same time the trade admits anxiety over the United States trend where the battle seems to be going the margarine way.

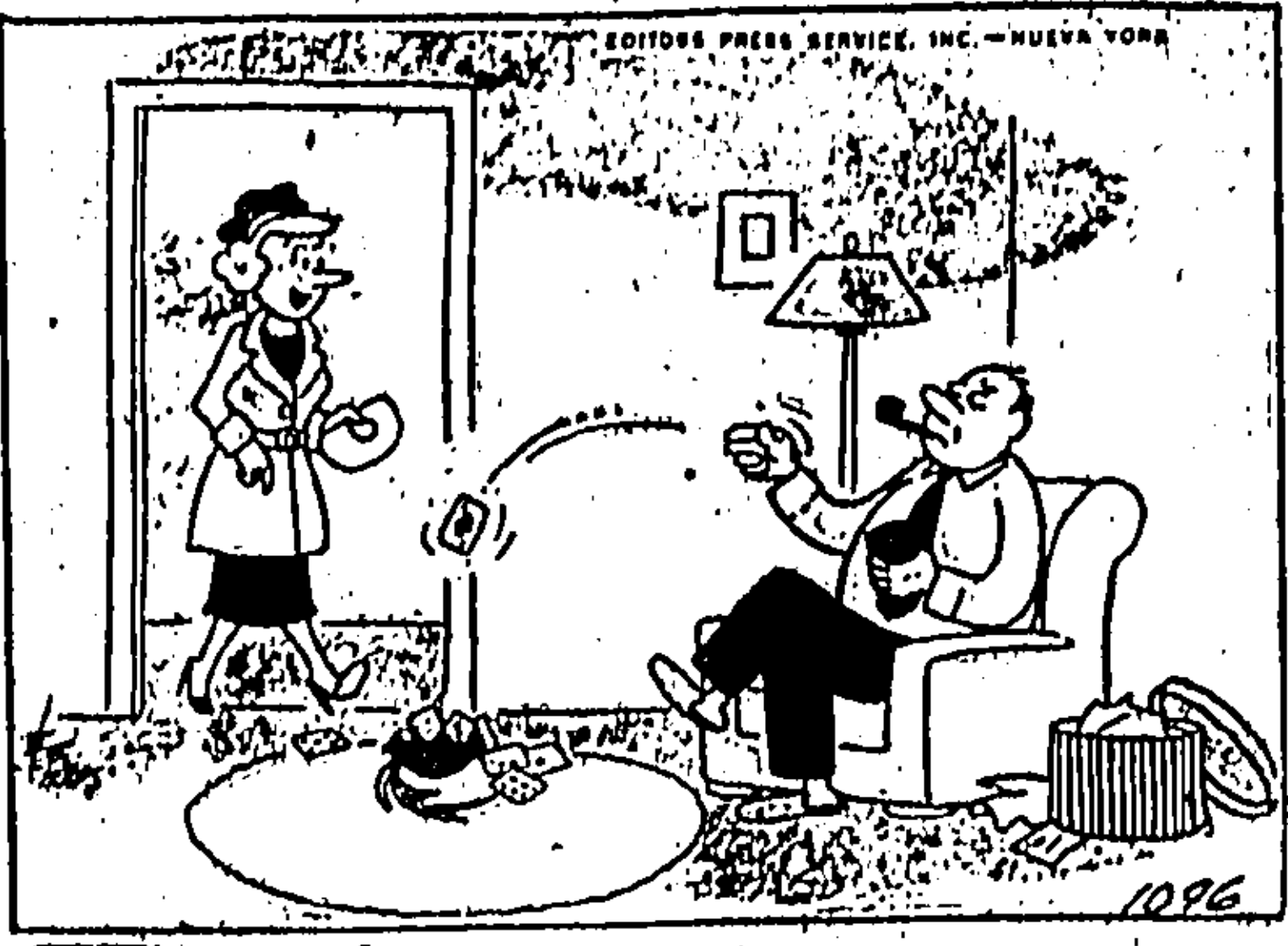
In 1938 the average American ate 16.4 pounds of butter and 2.9 pounds of margarine a year.

Now he ate 6.1 pounds of butter and 7.3 of margarine.

Britain's present figures show a four-pound advantage to margarine.

And side by side with the margarine campaign will go a campaign to "sell" butter as "better" than margarine.

—China Mail Special.



"Have they delivered it yet?"

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

I SAID to a man the other day, "Isn't it good to see the sun again?" But before the words were out of my mouth I knew the answer I should get. It is always the same: "Yes, but the radio says—"

About budgeters

THERE is to be a World Budgetary Convention in Harrogate, in August, sponsored by the Budgetary Society, but so far nobody has said, "If everybody kept his budget, there would be no more war." The budgeter is the only bird that catches fish with its tail. It is the fall of the fish and the strangle it—especially oil. Monarchique, I myself have been a budgeter seven years ago but the budgeters of the world are the most beautiful in the world.

WHAT'S HER LINE?

SILVER GRANT

Rearrange the letters to spell her occupation.
(Solution on Page 10)

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

BORN today, you are that strange combination of the highly idealistic individual who can turn his practical and even calculating when it comes to your goal. Since your ambitions are high, you are always several steps ahead of the next competitor in thought—and hence you often get far ahead in the execution of the design. You have a good memory and tremendous staying power, once you get started on a project.

While these characteristics may bring a little more specifically to you men, fakes in connection with your business and profession, you of the fair sex show many of the same qualities but in a slightly lesser degree. You have a charming, magnetic personality and are likely to be popular wherever you go. You have great capacity for friendship. Love, when

it comes, will be intense and will last for a lifetime. Both you men and women have a streak of ruthlessness in your nature and once you have made your mind to do something, you permit nothing to interfere with what you are doing. This is one of the best ways to reach success. A little more of the pessimistic side, you must learn to be more cheerful about things. Look for the rainbow and it is very real to you. There is a minor cloud overhead. If you do not reach the high goals you set for yourself, the stars have given you exceptional talents and unusual capacities. To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20) — Investigate any new information you receive carefully; then act on it and make necessary changes.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 20) — Opposition may be made to some idea of yours, but be firm and diplomatic and you can overcome it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21) — This is a fine day for love and romance. If wooed, you may, in fact, make or receive a proposal.

CANCER (June 22-July 23) — Honest compliments are a good idea and sometimes influence those in power. But avoid all insincere flattery.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23) — Not the time to act too hastily. It is a better idea to think everything over very carefully, first.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) — Keep personal matters to yourself. Talking too much about your future plans can prove a bad mistake.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) — Even if the day starts with some minor difficulty to overcome, you can succeed as the day grows older.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23) — Keep your eyes on your major objective. Refuse to be side-tracked, no matter what happens.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23) — Do not determine about what you want. Get right to work — but don't talk too much about it.

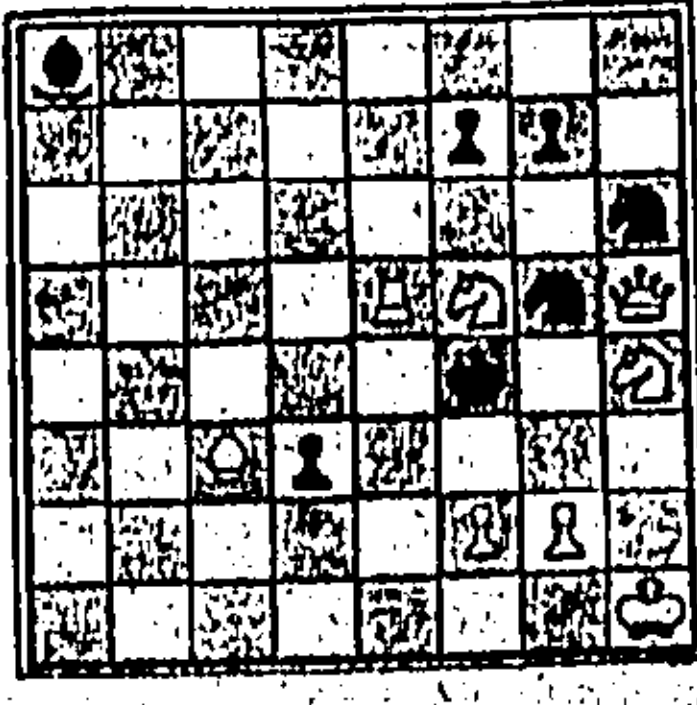
CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20) — Strike out for what you desire the most in life, rather than just drifting along with the tide.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) — This may prove to be a good day for business. Make a list of what you need and really do some shopping.

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. RUTTER

Black, 7 pieces.



White to play; mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:

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SOCCER ON THE INSIDE

By BOB PENNINGTON

Whispers floated round the Cafe Royal, London, as 80-odd—not all odd—managers circulated like a half-time lemon.

"Have you heard Alex Stock is leaving Orient for a Northern First Division Club?" Alex Stock, pick of the younger managers, says nothing except "My heart is in Orient."

Yet the betting is on Alex having a change of heart for financial and prestige reasons at the end of the season.

Over there is Cyril Spiers, manager of Cardiff. He's got a bright idea—suspend First and Second Division Soccer for the first three Saturdays in December.

Spiers' brain child would give England team manager Walter Winterbottom a month to train 24 England prospects into a real National TEAM.

What about fixture congestion? Says Manager Spiers: "Start the season a week earlier. Play two matches there and one in mid-week later on."

Bright Idea No. 2 comes from Charlton chief, Jimmy Seed. "Managers should give Walter Winterbottom top secret reports on their international," says The Seed.

He continues: "We know their best, how to capitalize their finer points, curb their temperament."

BACK AT HIS DESK

Into his Tottenham office last week went manager Arthur H. W. now convalescing from his first time since his illness.

Arthur is making good progress, attended the managers' meeting on Monday. Means while assistant Jimmy Anderson performs all managerial

Both Cup Finalists Beaten In League Games

London, Apr. 1. Norman Heath, goalkeeper of West Bromwich Albion, who are seeking a Football Association Cup and League "Double," was detained in hospital here last night after being carried off in the League match against Sunderland.

Following a collision, Heath lost the use of his leg through a shock to the spinal column and he was kept in hospital for observation. An X-ray examination showed that no bones were broken.

Both Cup finalists were beaten in League games yesterday. Sunderland beat West Bromwich 2-1, scoring the winning goal four minutes before time.

Stanley Matthews and Tom Finney were both absent from the match at Blackpool where Preston North End were beaten 4-2—China Mail Special.

London, Mar. 31. Association football results today were:

DIVISION 1

Aston Villa 2 Sheffield W. 1
Blackpool 4 Preston N. E. 2
Sunderland 2 W. Bromwich 1

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REME Command Win Darts League Title

In Section 1 of the San Miguel Darts League, REME Command W/S through winning their match against 3 Supply Depot last week, now have a clear lead of four points over P.O. Mess Tamar, both having played the same number of games.

Through their win REME Command W/S made certain of the championship as the matches of this week's series completed the fixtures in Section 1.

Congratulations to REME on winning and so qualifying to meet 1st Norfolk, winners of Section II, in the final.

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BOTVINNIK LEADING 4 1/2-1 1/2

Moscow, Mar. 31. The duel between champion Mikhail Botvinnik and challenger Vasily Smyslov for the Grand Mastership of the chess world took a different but inconclusive turn last night as the two Masters began their seventh game.

After 40 moves Smyslov seemed in the best position to score a win. At the same time, Botvinnik's position was not considered to be impossible. Smyslov has still to get his first win in the series, in which he has but one and a half points to Botvinnik's four and a half.

At the adjournment, Smyslov held the advantage which he gained early in the game through an extremely complicated answer to Botvinnik's French Defence.

Botvinnik, playing black, chose the French Defence for the third time. The challenger countered with a variant new to his play in the current series.

CAUGHT OFF GUARD

The strategy, although considered less dangerous for black, apparently caught Botvinnik off his guard and put him into some difficulty.

Botvinnik sought to escape from his position through a manoeuvre in which he lost a pawn to gain position. Smyslov countered by sacrificing a pawn to regain his positional advantage.

Smyslov's play showed he considered his bishop stronger than the black knight.

At the end of the evening Smyslov was on the offensive and it looked like he might gain his first full match point. —United Press.

WELSH LOSE TO IRELAND

Wrexham, Wales, Mar. 31. England and Scotland have qualified for the World Football Cup finals in Switzerland as a result of Wales' two goals to one defeat by Ireland here today.

A win in this qualifying Group 3 match would have given Wales a possible chance of going to Switzerland.

They have finished at the bottom of the British International Championship table with one point.

Ireland have also completed their championship fixtures and have two points.

This leaves England four points from two games and Scotland three points from the top two in the table and the qualifying sides from Britain for the Cup series.

Ireland deserved their success against Wales, being more direct in attack.

Their defence was also sound. McFarland, left wing in his first international, scored a goal in each half for Ireland.

A goal by centre-forward Charles about 12 minutes before the end accounted for Wales' lone tally but they could not get an equaliser. —Reuter.

SOUTH CHINA 5, ARMY 1

CHAMPIONS' ATTACK HAD THE SOLDIERS' DEFENCE ROCKING ON ITS HEELS

By I. M. MacTAVISH

Written indelibly across this magnificent South China victory are the names of Mok Chun-wah and Yiu Cheuk-yin. This pair were the plotters, planners and pilots of a Champions' attack that functioned as it has not done previously this season.

Taking the field without Lee Yuk-lak, South China struck a forward game that quickly had the Army unsettled, and when the chances came along they were snapped up in a way that had the Soldiers' defence rocking on its heels.

This game was, right from the start, a battle of wits. The Army shuffled their forward line at the start and snatched an early goal when Reeves rushed the ball into the net in the fourth minute.

South China replied with an almost identical switch and the move brought the equaliser in the 10th minute when a brilliant attack split the Army defence wide open for Mok Chun-wah to crash the ball behind Granger.

The Soldiers' attack was now restored to its normal formation and in the 14th minute they nearly got another goal. Lau Chi-ying was late with his tackle and Doyle, racing through, just failed to get his foot to the ball.

Then came a star-spangled two minutes for South China. These minutes — the 20th and 21st — changed the whole outlook of the game and spell doom and disaster for the Army.

Once again it was Mok Chun-wah who scored the first of the two goals when he rounded off the best bit of inter-passing in the game and sent another drive sizzling into the net.

A minute later the ball was in the back of the net again. Mok Chun-wah and Yiu Cheuk-yin carried play into the danger area and as the ball came across the face of the goal Chan Chi-kong crashed it wide of Granger to put the Champions two goals up and on top of the world.

Play immediately after the interval suggested that the Army was going to make a real fight of it, but with only 10 minutes gone another tragedy virtually finished the game. Crowhurst was injured and went on the right wing and Reeves, who fell back to take his place, will long remember his first task as a halfback.

Standing just inside his own penalty area he put his foot up to pull down a fast ball from the wing. He didn't get it correctly and it dropped wide of his right foot, and directly into the path of the onrushing Kwok Yin-lok. Such gifts are not refused by the South China centre-forward and he immediately smashed the ball into the net.

MOST PLEASURE

With 12 minutes left for play the goal that brought most pleasure to the South China fans was scored by Yiu Cheuk-yin. The inside-left had had

Cricket Teams

The following have been selected to represent the HKCC "Scorpions" against the University at Pokfulam on Saturday at 1.30 p.m.

T.A. Pearce (Captain), J. Stanton, T.G.C. Knight, H. Owen-Jones, D. Jones, J. Chesterton, V.C. Roberts, K.M. Campbell, H.H. Hoigau, M.J. Kelly, D.J. Hill.

Volunteers

The following will represent "The Old Hong Kong Volunteers" at the HKCC ground on Sunday. Play commences at 11.30 a.m.

E.C. Fletcher, A.E. Perry, A.T. Lee, R.E. Lee, L.T. Rude, A. Zimmerman, G. Alkenhead, T.A. Pearce, J. Owen-Jones, L.D. Kilbey, G. Souza, A.M. Frazer.

This Match has been arranged in celebration of the Centenaries of the S.V.C. and also of Volunteering in Hongkong.

THE GAMBOLS



FOUR FROM DOWN UNDER



The four Australian members of the Oxford boat race crew. They are (left to right): J. A. Gobbo, E. V. Vine, E. O. G. Pain, and J. McLeod. — Central Press Photo.

SPORTS ROUND-UP

Norwegian Football Pools Profits Help Develop Norwegian Science

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WHITILE RETIRES

Harry Whitile, Britain's leading quarter-mile hurdler and captain of Britain's Helsinki Olympic team, has retired from top class athletics. Thirty-one years old, Whitile will now run just for fun in minor meetings.

Whitile was a latecomer onto the international scene. At 25 he was an unknown when, in 1947, he hit the headlines by taking two titles in the AAA Championships, the 440 Yards Hurdles and the Long Jump.

Last year he successfully defended his hurdles title for the sixth year in succession, returning his best time of 52.7 secs. Not a great stylist, he will ever be remembered for his tremendous courage.

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Hongkong, on Thursday, 8th

April, 1954, at Noon, for the

purpose of receiving the

Statement of Accounts and

the Report of the Directors

for the year ended 31st

December, 1953, and to

transact the ordinary business

of the Company.

By Order of the Board

of Directors,

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Hongkong, 12th Mar., 1954.

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Notice is hereby given that

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By Order of the Board

of Directors,

P. W. A. WOOD,

Secretary & Chief Accountant.

31st March, 1954.

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Proposal to change

Ship's names

We, China Union Trading Company, Limited, Rooms Nos. 411-2-3, Alexandra House, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, hereby give notice that in consequence of transfer of the title of the ownership, we have applied to the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, under section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the following ships—

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Any objection to the proposed change of names must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hong Kong the 29th day of March, 1954.

CHINA UNION TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

PAN CHI-CHUANG,

Director.

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SHANGHAI VOLUNTEER CORPS

Centenary Dinner

Members attending the

dinner are reminded that it

will take place at the Royal

Hong Kong Yacht Club on

Friday, 2nd April, 1954, at

8 p.m.

It is also notified that the

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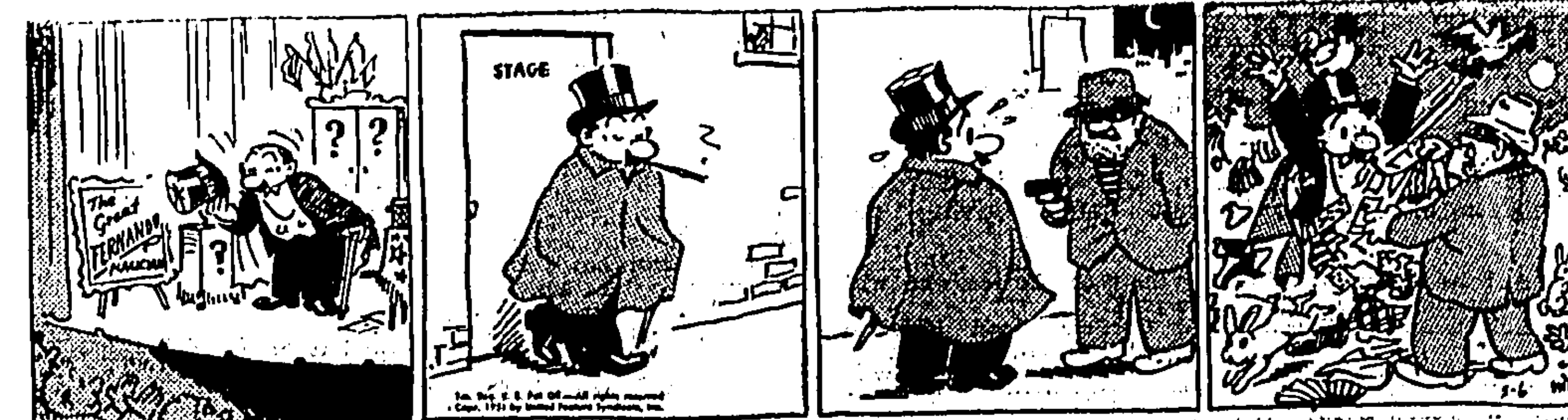
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JOHN CHARLES CASEBOOK

A Long, Long Way

THE part Patrick set out to play on the small stage the dock provides was an appealing one. That of the simple Irish peasant who, following in the footsteps of a brother who has done the same and made good, forsakes his village and treks to London in search of a fortune.

Who, failing to find great wealth within 48 hours of arriving, grows discouraged, yearns to go home, and has not the fare.

Such seemed to be the part Patrick, a pink-cheeked, sleepy sort of man, had in mind to play before Mr. Bertram Reece, at Bow Street.

Patrick pleaded not guilty to begging in Soho, though as a plain clothes policeman had made to arrest him, he had grabbed the officer's arm, and getting "me dressed up and me a copper for a cup of tea, now!"

I'LL DO NO GOOD HERE

"O" said Patrick from the dock. "O tell you OI bin out of work three weeks, and there's me brother down in Lewisham what's goin' to take me home in a few weeks' time, and takin' me to a tailor and all, what's goin' to make me some clothes for me to go home in."

"Where does this brother live?" the magistrate inquired. Patrick yawned luxuriously, then said: "O'ld not know that. O' meet him places, you see. But he's gettin' me to this tailor, and gettin' me dressed up and all, 'cos he knows I'd do no good here, no good at all."

"Do you do any work?" Mr. Reece inquired. "Oh, yes," Patrick answered and continued piously, "you can't get anywhere at all without work." He sounded like an ardent uncle addressing a shiftless nephew.

A HUMBUG?

"YOU'D better talk to the probation officer," the magistrate said. Patrick was led out, and it was in his conversation with the probation officer, that the part he was playing came unstuck.

When he came back, still yawning, the probation officer said: "This man had money and a bed ticket on him when he was arrested."

"Is he slow-witted and dull?" the magistrate asked.

"No, not at all," said the probation officer. "Since 1947 when he came here first, he's been back to Ireland a number of times for holidays. I think he's a very clever practitioner in this form of getting money."

"Oh, you think he's a humbug?"

"Yes," the probation officer answered.

PROBABLY... PROBABLY

PATRICK was given 24 hours' bail, to give him a chance to produce his brother to speak for him, but when he came back next day he came alone. "If you let me off tonight, now, I'd probably be able to find me a brother. Probably, I'd know where he is tonight," he said.

"Oh, no, no, no," said the magistrate, "there are far too many 'probablys' about you... O' tell me you no more."

Patrick said, with sudden fervour:

"We don't want you here," the magistrate continued, "but I'm reluctant to send you back to Ireland at the public expense. I shall discharge you conditionally. You'd better get a job."

He turned to the probation officer, perhaps you could steer him towards the Labour Exchange," he suggested.

SHUFFLED

THE probation officer nodded, and followed Patrick as he shuffled out.

To the Irishman it must have seemed just then a long, long way from Bow Street to Tipperary, where he spent his holidays, where his home was said to be, and where he had played "me dressed up" as his simple, peasant hero.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

ALLEGED POLICE BASHINGS CAUSE SENSATION

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, Mar. 26. This week we have been hearing some pretty startling stories about alleged police bashing. Mr. Justice Dovey, as a Royal Commissioner, is inquiring into one case, while a magistrate is hearing another case in a lower court.

How true or false the stories might be will be decided by the judge and magistrate in due course, but not since the days of the liquor commission has such interest been displayed in a court story.

The police, somewhat naturally, are worried about the publicity of these cases, and also the campaign that has been carried on by most Sydney newspapers for an inquiry into the force generally. A deputation, consisting of both officers and ranker police waited on the Premier, this week to put their side of the case.

And so the Royal Tour is just about ended. The police outbreak in Western Australia should upset the apple-cart, but two very good things came out of that: Firstly, the authorities were wise to break down the programme to ensure that the Royal Couple subjected to as little risk of infection as possible, and secondly, that Western Australia was not ruthlessly wiped out of the programme. That would have been an anti-climax that would have upset everyone, particularly, we imagine, the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh.

ROYAL CAVALCADE Prize for the most subtle dig of the week goes to the Archbishop of Adelaide, who preached at the Cathedral service attended by the Queen and Duke last Sunday. He addressed to the hundreds inside the church and the thousands listening outside that everything about the service was ordinary. "Everything about this service is usual and ordinary," every Sunday we have hundreds and thousands kneeling outside. "He paused. "No, I don't think I could get away with that one," said the Archbishop.

An X-ray plant at Melbourne GPO examines all mail and parcels sent to the Queen, Duke and their staff. The special security officers. Three supervisors, an expert operator and a team of specially chosen mail room employees have been busy checking the Royal Mail.

The X-ray checks are dictated by caution rather than fear. The aim is to protect the Queen against mischievous people and those with a warped sense of humour.

SCALP'S FINANCE TRIP Twenty-four young aborigines financed a 1,000-mile 5½-day trip to see the Queen last week with dingy canoes.

With a bounty of £1 a scalp, they raised enough money to pay their £8 fares and buy gay, new linen cotton print frocks for the girls and neat flannel slacks, coloured shirts and gay ties for the men.

The dingy drive lasted for months. (Because of the great damage they do to stock and fences the Federal Government pays a bounty of £1 a scalp for dingies.)

The aborigines saw the Queen and the Duke from a special stand during the Royal Progress.

The natives came from a mission way out on the northern border of South Australia. The mission employs 150 natives and has such amenities as a fine church, hospital, school, mothers' and children's clinics and trade shop.

But the natives are encouraged to speak their own language, live naturally and go hunting and walk-about. Each native travels thousands of miles a year on walk-about.

URANIUM RUSH Whereas gold was once sufficient to start the blood-boiling and cause history-making rushes, today it is uranium.

Last week the little New South Wales settlement of Torrington was getting ready for a uranium shot in the arm, this week it is Mt Isa, in out-back Queensland.

Geologists, amateur prospectors and tourists have taken to the Mt Isa hills in what has been described as a wild uranium search.

Some are searching with Geiger counters and others have frantically sent south for them. This rush follows a find a week ago by an Australian, two Finns and a Chinese.

Sixteen applications for miners' rights were taken out at Mt Isa in four days. A prospector, Mr. Jim Revitt, of Mt Isa, said: "A syndicate tried to buy every available Geiger counter, but the stores selling them had sold out quickly early in the week."

"The boys are pegging out so many claims now that they have not found names for them all."

Truck drivers and workmen who normally work in the mines have given up their jobs to go south or back to their homes to bring back Geiger counters.

A rush of prospectors is expected from the Northern Territory and other parts of Queensland, but there will soon be no suitable land left in the area to be pegged.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I never ask Dad to help me with arithmetic since I found out he has to hire that man to figure his income tax!"

New TB & Dental Clinic Opened

The new Government Tuberculosis and Dental Clinic at Kennedy Road, near the English Methodist Church, Wanchai, was officially opened this morning by Dr. the Hon. K. C. Yeo, Director of Medical and Health Services.

Dr. Yeo, who has just returned from leave in the United Kingdom, said that the new building formed a very important addition to the medical facilities of the Colony. He said that the clinic, with its modern equipment, dental services, and physiotherapy department, would give full opportunity for really good work to be done.

After the clinic had been declared opened, Dr. Yeo and all the guests made an inspection tour of the entire building. When they reached the dental clinic, Dr. Yeo was presented with a giant acrylic tooth, with the date and the clinic's name.

The guests, who attended the opening ceremony were members of the Medical Board, the Dental Board, Anti-T.B. Association, and the Medical Department.

Dr. Yeo, addressing the gathering said:

It is a matter of great satisfaction to me indeed that the first action I shall perform on my return to the Colony from England is to open formally this fine building which forms a very important addition to the medical facilities of the Colony. It is nearly six years, with the idea of providing a tuberculosis clinic on the Island was first mooted and thereafter much discussion took place before the final plan of this present building was arrived at. It was erected at a cost of rather more than \$750,000 and it provides ample accommodation not only for the chest clinic, as was originally planned, but also for the dental service and the physiotherapy sub-department.

These two latter sub-departments have been, until today, inadequately accommodated; in the former case in part of the old Sai Ying Pun Hospital and in the latter case in the Radiological Department of the Queen Mary Hospital. Both these sub-departments have been greatly hampered by the little space at their disposal and it is not at all surprising that in the past there has been, at times, a feeling of frustration among the staff.

GENUINE 'STIMULUS'

"As I think you will agree with me, when you have had the opportunity of inspecting the new building, there will now be full opportunity for really good work to be done, and in place of a sense of frustration, I am confident that the new surroundings will act as a genuine stimulus to the staff and will be a pleasure and comfort to the members of the public who will use it."

The tuberculosis service, too, has had its accommodation problems in the past. The Harcourt Health Centre, which it has occupied largely on account of the very great number of people who seek treatment at the clinic. In the new building, it occupies the whole of the first floor of this building.

Ample space is available and patients and staff can certainly look forward to great comfort and higher efficiency.

"A further function which is catered for in this new clinic is one closely associated with the work of the tuberculosis service, namely, the Mass Miniature Radiography Section. Until now it was operated in cramped circumstances in the Queen Mary Hospital, remote from the Tuberculosis Clinic, necessitating the transport of patients from the Harcourt Health Centre to the Hospital. Persons attending the chest clinic here and waiting to be X-rayed will be able merely to walk downstairs to the X-ray section and the long time journey to the Hospital will be obviated.

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MURDER TRIAL CONTINUES

Fourth Accused In The Witness Box This Morning

A disclosure that he went with the first and second accused to the second floor of 72 Nga Tsin Wai Road to rob, but that he never set foot on the third floor — where the deceased, a 60-year-old woman, was killed — was made by Kam Yung-chuen, 28, unemployed, the fourth accused at the murder trial heard before Mr. Justice C. W. Reece at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

In the course of cross-examination, Kam denied giving false evidence in order to try and shield the third accused, an amah who stayed in the premises.

The accused are Chung Ming-sun, alias Chung Sum, alias Chung Ming-sung, 25, unemployed, Lung Yee-hing, alias Lung Tai, 22, unemployed; Leung Fong, 36, amah; and Kam Yung-chuen.

They were charged with murdering Tam Luk-gum, in the course of a robbery at 72 Nga Tsin Wai Road, Kowloon City, on November 23 last year.

Defending the first accused is Mr. Patrick Yu, instructed by Mr. Charles Ying; Mr. W. K. Loo, instructed by Mr. W. I. Cheung; Mr. Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr. P. D. D'Almeida Remedios, is defending the third; and Mr. T. Shurlock is representing the fourth, on instructions of Mr. M. T. Holmes.

Mr. D. F. O. Mayne, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting.

An all-male Jury is trying the case.

Giving evidence on his own behalf, the fourth accused said that before the incident at 72 Nga Tsin Wai Road, he had a conversation at a tea-house with the first and second accused and one other man, Law Ching-shing. After that, he and the other two accused proceeded to the address.

FOUND DOOR OPEN

They found the door of the premises open. He went in first, and the others followed. When he reached the second floor, he tied up the two amahs in the house, Wong Yee and Leung Fong (third accused), in a room facing the main entrance to the premises.

Kam went on to say that he took a gold chain from around Wong Yee's neck, which he eventually handed to the second accused. While he was tying up the two amahs, he heard the sound of searching coming from the other rooms. He himself was on the second floor of the house for about 10 minutes.

Asked by Mr. Shurlock if, during the conversation with the others on the plans for the robbery, any specific job was allotted to him, Kam replied: "No. Replying to another question, he said that during the time he was in the building, he never went anywhere other than the second floor. He asserted that never at any time did he see the deceased while he was in the building.

Questioned by Mr. Yu, the fourth accused agreed that nobody was given any specific task during the conversation before they went to the premises. No details were worked out.

He denied a suggestion that the first accused never told him to take part in a robbery.

DID NOT GO

Questioned on the matter of Law Ching-shing, the fourth accused told the Court that Law had mentioned during their meeting that he would be going to 72 Nga Tsin Wai Road also, but in fact he did not go.

Lung Tai later had the gold necklace snatched down, he went on, and taking away him some of the proceeds of the sale of the gold.

Fourth accused said that it was only after he read in the newspapers the day after the robbery that he learned that someone had been killed on the third floor of the premises. He asked the first and second accused if they knew anything about it, and they told him they did not. They said they had not gone upstairs.

Replying to a question by Mr. Oswald Cheung, Kam agreed that Law Ching-shing appeared on the second floor before a Magistrate, and that Law's wife was also charged, but was subsequently discharged. Fourth accused said he did not know whether or not she was now living in a charge of insanity.

Old Peak Site Being Levelled

Pre-war residents in Hongkong will remember the imposing looking building that once stood on top of the Peak. It was the old Peak Hospital, and Dr. Harrison's residence. This familiar landmark, or rather what is left of it, is now being demolished.

The future of the site, which is now in Government hands, is as yet unplanned. The site was a few months ago and the property reverted to Government, who are now taking the opportunity of tidying up the skyline, by removing what they consider to be an unsightly and dangerous eyesore.

DEPOSIT CLAIM

BANK'S PROCEDURE EXPLAINED

Further evidence in cross-examination was given this morning by Mr. G. O. W. Stewart, Chief Accountant of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, in the \$2½ million suit brought by China Mutual Trading Co. of Ice House Street against the Banque Belge pour l'Étranger of Edinburgh House before Mr. Justice Reynolds in the Supreme Court.

China Mutual Trading Co. plaintiffs, are claiming from the defendants the return (with interest) of HK\$2,580,171.00, being the balance of margins paid in connection with the importation of certain goods into Hongkong.

Alternatively, they claim the equivalent in Hongkong dollars of US\$449,504.32 or damages.

Mr. John McNeill, QC, Mr. Percy Chen and Mr. Brook A. Bernachi, all instructed by Mr. Y. H. Chan, of Messrs Lau Chan and Ko, are appearing for the plaintiffs.

The defendants are represented by Mr. D. A. L. Wright, both instructed by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, of Messrs Deacons.

In reply to a question by Mr. McNeill as to the distinction the Hongkong Bank made between Foreign Currency Instalment Account and Margin Account, the bank's books there was a US Dollar Margin Account but it was the practice to use this in cases where the bank received an advance against the US dollars. The position could be described by an example: credit was opened for US\$10,000 and half of the whole of this amount was deposited physically by the merchant in the bank's New York office. The bank gave advance of Hongkong dollars up to a proportion of these US dollars and when the bill was drawn and debited to the bank's account in New York, the bank held instructions from the merchant to reimburse itself for the drawing with the amount part or in whole of the draft in US dollars. The bank still had its advance in Hongkong dollars, the whole of which was the shipping documents (representing the cargo). When the bill arrived in Hongkong the bank would present it for acceptance and for payment in due course.

NOT VERY COMMON

Mr. Stewart added that to hold margin in foreign currency apart from such transactions was not very common, and margin was usually held in Hongkong dollars.

As regards the bank's credit which was advanced to the bank, Mr. McNeill said that the reason for the invention of the Foreign Currency Instalment Account was that the bank could not debit unless shipping documents came forward. Mr. Stewart said that although a bank would obviously give credit where it was repaid in foreign currency, it would not do so if it was repaid in Hongkong dollars. The bank's credit was drawn on the bank's account in New York.

TROOPER FIRE

During the night of the 19th and 20th inst., a fire broke out in the premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, situated at the corner of the Victoria and Queen's Roads, Wanchai. The fire was caused by a gas leak from a gas stove in the kitchen. The fire was extinguished by the fire brigade. The damage was estimated at HK\$10,000. The premises were closed for a few days. The fire was caused by a gas leak from a gas stove in the kitchen. The fire was extinguished by the fire brigade. The damage was estimated at HK\$10,000. The premises were closed for a few days.